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Intensely Amusing.
Santa Fe Sun.
Of all the political documents
ever issued in all the political cam-
paigns in all the history of old
Time, the two-column letter of
Chairman Twitchell in the New
Mexican, charging Delegate Jo-
seph with the drouth in the Rio
Grande Valley, was the most laugh-
able, ridiculous, saphend and
jackassine. The Sun is really
sorry that lack of space prevents
its publication in these columns,
as well as the comments thereon
by the chattering editor. The
mere reading of them convulses
any sensible man with laughter.
Twitchell's letter is the subject of
joke and jibe and "joshing" on
every corner. Several old-time,
experienced campaigners and po-
liticians almost fell off their chairs
in the enforced abundance of
ha ha's, when they read this now
celebrated epistle to the 'Watsons.'
Some of his best republican friends
are chagrined over such a ridicu-
lous break on the part of the
chairman of their central commit-
tee. The Sun, agreeing with
many people, has always regarded
Mr. Twitchell as one of the rapid-
ly rising young men of ability in
New Mexico and we are sorry to
see him give such unmistakable
evidence of unreliability and lack
of sound judgement at critical
times. Let everybody read his
letter entitled "Joseph-Water,"
and, considering the times and its
purpose, they will agree with us,
that it is, to say the least, rattle-
brained. Yet the soundest, shrew-
dest politician would be likely to
become groggy under the great
strain now on Chairman Twitchell.
He realizes too late the mistake
he made in allowing the democrats
to put Catron on such a completely
defensive campaign. A defensive
campaign never was won by a can-
didate in the history of politics,
and realizing this fully but too
late, chairman Twitchell is now
straining every nerve to "turn the
tables," but it can't be done. The
democrats are immensely pleased
with the complete success of their
attacks on Catron's discreditable
public record, attacks based solely
on the facts thereof, and they can't
be diverted from their set purpose
to expose the record of this man of
"brains and energy" by any coun-
ter attacks on Joseph, particularly
by such utterly ridiculous ones as
that under discussion. Joseph's
record during his seven years of
congress needs absolutely no de-
fense. It speaks for itself and the
people read and approve. Mr.
Twitchell should try again—next
time in the line of good sense.
Joseph responsible for the no-wa-
ter condition of the lower Rio
Grande valley?—ha, ha, ha!!!
And Mr. Joseph was so immen-
sely tickled when he read Twitch-
ell's letter that in the immodera-
tion of his laughter he forgot him-
self and let it rain all over New
Mexico during the past two days.

The Canadian river, in eastern
New Mexico, is drying up. This is
almost unprecedented, and shows
the extent and severity of the
drought now prevailing in the
southwest.

H. L. Gormey, of the Crittenden
Land and Cattle Co., of Arizona,
has gone to Kansas to arrange for
the pasturing of between 5,000
and 8,000 head of cattle. The
cattle of Arizona, like those of
New Mexico, are in a distressed
condition.

W. S. Lyon, manager of the
Quincy and Las Vegas Cattle Co.,
whose range is in eastern San
Miguel county, this week shipped
a trainload of mixed stock to Kan-
sas for pasturing. The Monte-
suma Cattle Co. also made a ship-
ment to the same state.

Little boy—Mayn't I be a
preacher when I grow up?
Mother—Of course you may,
my pet, if you want to.
Little boy—Yes, I do. I s'pose
I've got to go to church all my
life anyhow, an' its a good deal
harder to sit still than to walk
around and holler.—Good News.

A Fine Country.
The finest body of timber in New
Mexico lies in the Zuni mountains
Valencia Co. The Mitchell Bros.,
wealthy lumbermen from Michigan
purchased fifty square miles, alter-
nate sections from the A. P. R. R.
Co., at a cost of \$625,000. They
have formed the town of Mitchell,
which the railroad runs through,
and erected a saw mill at that
place which cuts up 75,000 feet of
lumber daily, and propose adding
at once to the present plant, ma-
chinery with a capacity of turning
out 125,000 feet more per day.
Every detail about the mill is con-
ducted with excellent system and
simplicity. Branch lines have
been surveyed in every direction
through this valuable tract of tim-
ber, and two are already in opera-
tion which convey the logs to a
large reservoir adjoining the mill,
into which they are rolled from
the flat cars down an incline. One
man only, is required to steer the
logs to an endless belt which car-
ries them to the table.

The waste slabs and saw dust
drop into cars stationed below on
the ground floor, and are at present
hailed off and utilized for build-
ing an embankment for the reser-
voir. Their orders for lumber
of all dimensions are of such mag-
nitude that logs varying from a
few inches to a few feet in diam-
eter are converted into lumber and
consequently there is no waste.

The concern gives employment
to a large number of workmen and
the town of Mitchell is rapidly
building up.

Large areas of timber of heavy
growth, lying outside of the rail-
way limits, with veins of coal from
three to eleven feet in thickness,
offer inducements for capitalists
to tap that section of the country
with a railroad from Silver City.
Barley, oats and Irish potatoes
grow to perfection in the valleys.
It is admirably adapted for sheep
raising, and nomadic bunches of
from 2,000 to 4,000 are met with
everywhere. The water supply is
obtained from living springs which
are numerous, and from artificial
tanks.

The villa on the Hudson, just
outside of Albany, now owned by
Senator Hill, was the erratic resi-
dence built and owned by Emmet,
and even yet known as 'Fritz Villa',
although the name was changed by
Emmet's divorced wife to that of
"Huhnah Villa." The fifteen acres
surrounding the villa were bought
by Emmet in 1880, and the total
cost of the house and grounds is
between \$200,000 and \$300,000.

Every Roman had the use of
the public baths on payment of
about half a farthing. These were
not such structures as we call pub-
lic baths, but superb buildings,
lined with Egyptian granite and
Nubian marble. Warm water was
poured into the capacious basins
through wide mouths of bright
and massive silver.

The largest and most powerful
search light in the world is des-
tined for the statue of Liberty in
New York harbor, and will be vis-
ible for 100 miles and capable of
transmitting messages that dis-
tance. It will be a 50,000 candle
power and will cost about \$4,000.

Flies have long been accused of
spreading disease, but it is assert-
ed now from Havana that mosqui-
toes have a use, for if they inoculate
any one after biting a yellow fever
patient the disease which follows
is so mild that fatal results are
rare.

"Hello, Harry! When is that
marriage of yours coming off?"
"Not at all. It's off."
"How so?"
"Oh, my girl made an awful
break a few nights ago."
"Indeed! What was it?"
"She broke the engagement."

Customer—Waiter, do you re-
member me? I came in here yes-
terday and ordered a steak.
Waiter—Yes, sir. Will you
have the same thing today, sir?
Customer—Yes, if no one else is
using it.

There is still burning in India
a sacred fire that was lighted by
the Parsees twelve centuries ago.

A trial of speed between English
and American locomotives will be
an interesting and novel feature
of the World's Fair.

Last year New York City ex-
pended \$4,000,000 on its schools
and \$4,250,000 for its police. In
three years the increase of the
cost of the police has been 63 per
cent and the increased cost of the
schools 17 per cent.

By a law passed July 8, 1892,
the use of the metric system of
weights and measures is obligatory
throughout Spain and her colo-
nies in private as well as in public
contracts.

Numerous experiments to de-
termine the best fire-resisting
materials for the construction of
doors have proved that wood cov-
ered with tin resisted the fire
better than iron doors.

A heavy plate-glass shade, orna-
mented with gold and securely
locked to three staples set in the
marble top of a pulpit in a church
in Brussels, is said to cover one of
the thorns which formed a part of
the Saviour's crown.

A short time ago a sale of 1,000
head of mixed stock, belonging to
the Palo Blanco Co., of Colfax
county, was made to the Temple
Bros., of Colorado, for \$10 around,
calves not counted. It is said that
the proportion of the old steers in
the bunch was sufficient to pay for
the whole purchase, if they were
sold in present condition at ruling
prices.

The Campaign.
Only one week yet remains of
the campaign of 1892. Never has
a campaign been fought with less
demonstration or with less appar-
ent activity than the present one.
Indications of general apathy are
on every hand.

The surface of the political sea
gives no indication of what is going
on below. The national canvass
is going on quietly but it is safe to
say that never before in the history
of this country has there been
more real earnest work done than
has been and is being done in this
contest. The republicans, weeks
ago, gave up all hope of breaking
the solid south and no well infor-
med republican has the remotest
idea that his party will carry either
New Jersey or Connecticut. The
fight will be in New York and
Indiana with the latter state al-
most sure to go democratic. The
battle will be in New York and the
conditions there are all favorable
for a decisive democratic victory
next Tuesday. The registration
in the democratic cities in the
state is much heavier than it has
ever been before and the leaders
in both parties agree that of the
increase in these cities the demo-
crats will get two votes to the re-
publicans one as this is about the
ratio of strength of the two parties
in those cities. There are few re-
publican cities in the state and
the gain in these is not so large
as in the democratic cities.

In addition to the increase in
the democratic vote there is no
hope of democratic defection lin-
gering in the breasts of republicans.
Tammany is out unequivocally for
Cleveland and the Tammany ticket
in the city is the strongest which
has been nominated in New York
for years. No further proof of
this is needed than the fact that
the ticket was endorsed in its en-
tirety by the New York democracy.
The county democrats put another
ticket in the field but this will not
jeopardize the prospects of elect-
ing the entire Tammany ticket so
therefore, there will be no inco-
nvenience for Tammany to oppose Cleve-
land.

Of the reported defection of old
soldiers in New York little is to
be said. Republican papers all
over the country have been print-
ing statements that Gen. Sickles
is opposed to Cleveland; that he
would vote for Harrison and that
thousands of old soldiers would
follow his example. This is on a

par with a great many other re-
ports which have originated in
the fertile brains of the republican
managers of the campaign and the
true state of the case may, perhaps
be best stated in an extract from
a speech of Gen. Sickles delivered
in the Harlem theater, New York,
ten days ago. It is as follows:
"I have been tenderly embraced
and seductively beckoned by our
republican friends of late on ac-
count of a camp-fire speech of
mine in Washington. They
thought they had me, because they
put what I said in Chicago. Now,
I had my preferences in the
matter of a candidate, and I ex-
pressed them in Chicago. And I
do not retract a single word of
what I said there.
It took me a little time to get
in a good humor, for I am not one
of those who throw their hats up
for a man one day, and throw them
as high or a little higher for another
man the next day. At Chicago
there was a convention composed
of 922 democrats. New York had
only 72 of these. After careful
reflection I have come to the con-
clusion that 850 men knew more
than 72. I accept the platform.
I helped to make it. I accept the
candidate just as if I had helped
to make him."
Gen. Sickles went on to tell
how at Washington he had sim-
ply said words of sympathy and
kindliness about President Harri-
son. "He was a comrade," said
Gen. Sickles, "and he was a brave
soldier. I saw him lead his bat-
talion at Resaca. So I made a
speech to the comrades who had
hoped to take him by the hand
and were disappointed because of
his afflicted wife lying there in
the White House. And, furthermore,
I asked them to send their secre-
tary up to him the next day and
express to him our sympathy.
Now, if that makes a Harrison
man out of me, so be it."
"Now, I'll just say one word
more. The charge of comrade
Harrison with his soldiers at Re-
saca is not to be compared with
the charge of comrade Dewey at
Manila, and I say that if
there was only one issue in this
campaign, and that were whether
a president, seeking re-election,
should get his nomination and
perpetuate himself in power by
his own minions, appointed to of-
fice by him, I should appeal to
American citizens in the name of
their liberty to say that it should
not be."
"Harrison, the comrade, is one
person; Harrison, a candidate of a
political party to which I am op-
posed, is another person. Harri-
son, leading his battalion of brave
soldiers at Resaca, I honor; Har-
rison, leading his battalion of of-
ficeholders, I abhor."
The democrats of New York
feel just as Gen. Sickles does.
Many of them were not for Cleve-
land before the Chicago conven-
tion, but they are all for him now.
Every indication points to a demo-
cratic victory in New York, and
with the 36 electoral votes of New
York for Cleveland, the victory is
complete.

In this Territory the campaign
for delegate is practically ended.
There no longer remains the least
doubt of Joseph's election; indeed
it is a question as to whether his
majority over Catron this fall will
not be more than his majority
over Dwyer in 1886. Catron has
defended his case in this campaign
as well as he could, but the load
was too heavy. Soon after Cat-
ron's nomination this county was
claimed for him by 200 majority,
but now no well informed republi-
can expects that he will carry the
county. Joseph will, in all prob-
ability, get a larger majority in
Grant County than he has ever
received here before.

The legislative ticket which
will be voted by the democrats of
this county will be elected. As
between Fall and Prager, there is
no comparison. Prager is a
business man who knows nothing
of legislation, while Fall has shown
himself to be as able a man as has
ever been sent from southern New
Mexico to the legislature. He
will be elected by a majority of
not less than 700 in the five coun-
ties.

Numa Raymond has shown him-
self to be an improper man for the
position which he seeks, and his
opponent, E. L. Hall, will have a
comparatively easy victory.

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